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SUBJECT: TENNECO SIX

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1. THE FOLLOWING LETTER WAS DELIVERED TO KARL DORTZBACH BY
HIS MESSENGER MORNING OF 12 JUNE:

QUOTE ERITREAN LIBERATION FRONT. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
DATE 10.6.74. ANNOUNCEMENT.

ON MAY 27, 1974, AN ELF GUERRELA UNIT ENTERED TO
GHINDA AMERICAN EVANGELICAL MISSION HOSPITAL AND TOOK AWAY
(KIDNAPED) TWO NURSES OF THE HOSPITAL (MRS. ANNA STICKWERDA
(DEAD) MRS. DEBRA (ALIVE). AFTER KIDNAPPING EVENTS FINISHES WE
WROTE FOUR LETTERS TO THE MISSION AND ACKNOWLEDGE IT ALL THE THINGS
AFTER THAT ONE FROM YOUR MEN COMES AND BECAUSE THIS LETTER
DIRECTLY ARRIVED TO YOU BY THIS MAN WE ARE GOING TO SHOW YOU THE
INSTRUCTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR RELEASE OF MRS. DEBRA.

THE REQUESTS AND INSTRUCTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) BRING \$10,000 (TEN THOUSAND ETHIOPIAN DOLLARS)
PRICE MEDICIENS OF COLERA.

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(B) PRICE \$10,000 (TEN THOUSAND ETH. DOLLARS) MALARIA

MEDICIENS.

(C) FIVE (5) TIGRINA TYPEWRITERS AND 2 (TWO) ENGLISH
TYPEWRITERS

(D) 2 (TWO) DUPLICATORS

(E) 7 (SEVEN) BATTERIES MICROPHONE

(F) \$150,000 (HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS) CASH.

(G) THE MISSION SHOULD HAVE TO ANNOUNCE IN THE RADIO
BY THE NAME OF ELF THE FOLLOWING:

(1) THE E.L.F. FEELS A LOT OF SORROW AND GREAT GRIEF
BY THE DEATH OF MRS. ANNA STICKWERDA.

(2) FROM DATE 27.3.74 TILL NOW COLERA DISEASE
SPREAD IN ERITREA AND UNTIL NOW THERE ARE 352 (THREE
HUNDRED FIFTY TWO) PERSONS DEAD IN THE VILLAGES. THE
DISEASE IS GOING ON (SPREADING TERRIBLY. THEREFORE
E.L.F. ASKS AID FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD THOSE WHO
CARES FOR ERITREAN PEOPLE SPECIALLY.

(3) IF THE MISSION FULFILL ALL THE REQUESTS GIVEN
TO HER BY E.L.F. WE ARE GOING TO RELEASE MRS. DEBRA
AFTER TEN HOURS.

EGIN UNDERLINE NOTICE END UNDERLINE MRS. DEBRA (DEBBIE)
IS NOW IN A GOOD PHYSICAL AND MENTAL CONDITION. SHE IS IN THE
CAMPS SOMEWHERE IN THE LIBERATED AREAS. AND HER CASE IS
DIFFERENT FROM THE CASE OF THE FIVE TENNECO PERSONALES IT HAS
NOT ANY RELATION. WE SAY THIS BECAUSE THE COMPANY REFUSES
TO ACCEPT OUR REQUESTS AND INSTRUCTIONS AND WERE TELLING THEM
IF THEY HAVE DONE SOMETHING OUT OF THE INSTRUCTION AND UN-
OFFICIAL THINGS IS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY. BUT THE COMPANY STAFFS
IN ADDIS TRIES TO GET THEIR MEN UNOFFICIALLY AND OUT OF
INSTRUCTIONS AND EVEN THEY REFUSE OUR OFFICIAL MESSENGERS.
AND NOW WE ARE THINKING TO DECIDE NOT RELEASE THE FIVE MEN.
AND ALL THESE THINGS IS NOW AMERICAN MISSION AFFAIR THEREFORE
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DON'T TRY TO RELATE THE CASES OF MRS. DEBRA WITH THAT CASE.
AS WE SAY BEFORE WE ARE GOING TO RELEASE HER AS SOON AS THE
REQUESTS FINISHES. ERITREAN LIBERATION FRONT. EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE. UNQUOTE
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